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SUBJ: PROPOSED VISIT OF MG THOMAS U. GREER

REF: CDRUSACSG FT SHAFTER 100450Z AUG

1. REFERENCE TELEGRAM PROPOSED VISIT OF MG GREER, COMMANDER,
U.S. ARMY CINCPAC SUPPORT GROUP TO VISIT THAILAND SEPT 14-17
AS PART OF AREA TOUR WHICH WOULD TAKE HIM TO GUAM, PHILIPPINES,
SINGAPORE, AND JAKARTA AS WELL.

2. PURPOSE OF VISIT WAS DESCRIBED AS DISCUSSION OF ROLE OF U.S.
ARMY IN PACIFIC WITH EMPHASIS ON SECURITY ASSISTANCE, DEFENSE
PLANNING RESPONSIBILITIES AND POSSIBLE INTERFACE BETWEEN HOST
NATION GROUND FORCES AND U.S. ARMY. IN SEPARATE TELEPHONE
CONVERSATION, JUSMAGTHAI HAS LEARNED THAT MG GREER INTERESTED
VISITING UNCONVENTIONAL WARFARE CENTER AND TALKING WITH GROUND
FORCE COMMANDERS.

3. WHILE VISIT BY COMMANDER OF U.S. ARMY CINCPAC SUPPORT GROUP
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IS APPROPRIATE, COMSEVENTHFLEET, ABOARD THE USS OKLAHOMA CITY, IS
SCHEDULED IN THAILAND FROM 10 TO 14 SEPT, EA/TIMBS DIRECTOR
FRITTS IS DUE IN SEPT 10-20 AND WE DO NOT WANT TO OVERLOAD THE
CIRCUIT, BUT ARE INCLINED TO CONCUR IN MG GREER'S VISIT IF IT WILL
NOT IMPINGE ON HOLBROOKE PLANS. LAST YEAR WE HAD TO REQUEST MG
GREER CHANGE HIS PLANNED ITINERARY BECAUSE OF TIMING DIFFICULTIES.

4. FYI. REGARDLESS OF TIMING OF GREER VISIT WE INTEND TO ADVISE HIM THAT CENTRAL PURPOSE OF VISIT SHOULD BE SECURITY ASSISTANCE; THAT VISIT TO SPECIAL WARFARE CENTER OR TO FIELD FORCE COMMANDERS WOULD NOT RPT NOT BE APPROPRIATE; THAT JUSMAG IS NOT INVOLVED IN DEFENSE PLANNING. WE WOULD, OF COURSE, ARRANGE APPROPRIATE CALLS IN BANGKOK AND HE WOULD HAVE OPPORTUNITY DURING SOCIAL EVENTS TO CONVERSE WITH A VARIETY OF SENIOR THAI MILITARY OFFICERS, INCLUDING SOME WHO HAVE RECENT FIELD COMMAND EXPERIENCE.

5. PLEASE ADVISE. WOULD LIKE TO RESPOND TO CLEARANCE REQUEST BY AUGUST 25.
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